## **House of Representatives**



General Assembly

File No. 489

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Substitute House Bill No. 5519

House of Representatives, April 17, 2012

The Committee on Government Administration and Elections reported through REP. MORIN of the 28th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF STATE LAND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision
- 2 of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall
- 3 convey to the town of East Hartford a parcel of land located in the
- 4 town of East Hartford, at a cost equal to the administrative costs of
- 5 making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of
- 6 approximately .38 acre, is designated by the Department of
- 7 Transportation as File No. 042-280-002A and is located at 1534 Main
- 8 Street, at the northeast corner of Main Street and Park Avenue. The
- 9 conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties
- 10 Review Board.
- 11 (b) The town of East Hartford shall use said parcel of land for open
- space purposes. If the state requires said parcel for transportation
- 13 purposes, or if the town of East Hartford:

- 14 (1) Does not use said parcel for open space purposes;
- 15 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel; or
- 16 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel,
- 17 the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.
- (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the
- 23 provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver
- 24 any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section,
- 25 which deed or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the
- 26 purposes of subsection (b) of this section. The Commissioner of
- 27 Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents
- 28 of such conveyance.
- 29 Sec. 2. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of
- 30 the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey
- 31 to the town of East Hartford a parcel of land located in the town of
- 32 East Hartford, at a cost equal to the administrative costs of making
- 33 such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately .44
- 34 acre, is designated by the Department of Transportation as File No. 53-
- 35 101-36B and is located at 355 Maple Street at Forbes Street. The
- 36 conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties
- 37 Review Board.
- 38 (b) The town of East Hartford shall use said parcel of land for open
- 39 space purposes. If the state requires said parcel for transportation
- 40 purposes, or if the town of East Hartford:
- 41 (1) Does not use said parcel for open space purposes;
- 42 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel; or

- 43 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel,
- 44 the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.
- 45 (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of 46 the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it 47 receives proposed agreement from the Department 48 Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of 49 said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the 50 provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver 51 any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section, 52 which deed or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the 53 purposes of subsection (b) of this section. The Commissioner of 54 Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents 55 of such conveyance.
  - Sec. 3. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey to the town of East Haven a parcel of land located in the town of East Haven, at a cost equal to the fair market value of the property, as determined by the average of the appraisals of two independent appraisers selected by the commissioner, plus the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately .49 acre, is identified as Lot 3, Block 3211 on East Haven's Tax Assessor's Map No. 260 and is designated by the Department of Transportation as File No. 92-533-1B. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.
  - (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

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Sec. 4. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall convey to the town of Farmington a parcel of land located in the town of Farmington, at a cost equal to the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 8.46 acres and is identified as Lot 12, Block 124 on Farmington Tax Assessor's Map 138. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.

- (b) The town of Farmington shall use said parcel of land for open space purposes. If the town of Farmington:
- 86 (1) Does not use said parcel for said purposes;

- 87 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel; or
- 88 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel,
- 89 the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.
  - (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section, which deed or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the purposes of subsection (b) of this section. The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.
  - Sec. 5. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Administrative Services, on behalf of the Commissioner of Developmental Services, shall convey to the town of Windsor a parcel of land located in the town of Windsor, at a cost equal to the fair market value of the property, as determined by the average of the appraisals of two independent appraisers

selected by the Commissioner of Administrative Services, plus the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately .73 acre and is identified as Lot No. 5 in Block 76 on Town of Windsor Assessor's Map No. 54. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.

- (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Administrative Services. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section. The Commissioner of Administrative Services shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.
- 121 Sec. 6. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of 122 the general statutes, the Commissioner of Energy and Environmental 123 Protection shall convey to the town of Bloomfield a parcel of land 124 located in the town of Bloomfield, at a cost equal to the fair market 125 value of the property, as determined by the average of the appraisals 126 of two independent appraisers selected by the commissioner, plus the 127 administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land 128 has an area of approximately 36.05 acres and is identified as "Parcel of 129 land proposed to be conveyed to town of Bloomfield" on two maps, 130 numbers 1722 and 1723, both entitled "Map of Land to be acquired by 131 the State of Connecticut for Bloomfield Reservoir Number 3 North 132 Branch of the Park River Watershed Program Bloomfield, Conn." and 133 dated December 11, 1969, as said maps were modified by the 134 Bloomfield Engineering Department, with such modification dated 135 March 1, 2012. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the 136 State Properties Review Board.
  - (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Energy and

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Environmental Protection. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section. The Commissioner of Energy and Environmental Protection shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

Sec. 7. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development shall convey to the city of New Haven a parcel of land located in the city of New Haven, at a cost equal to the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately .52 acre and is identified as the parcel situated on the east side of Ashmun Street in the city of New Haven, containing 22,587 square feet, and further described as follows: Commencing at a point in the easterly line of Ashmun Street, said point being the southwesterly corner of the within described parcel, the same being located 273.44 feet southerly from the intersection of the southerly line of Henry Street with the easterly line of Ashmun Street when measured along the easterly line of Ashmun Street, then running along the following six courses: north 78 degrees 54' 44" east 49.69 feet; south 11 degrees 20' 36" east 47.64 feet; north 78 degrees 26' 44" east 56.85 feet; south 11 degrees 13' 16" east 96.77 feet; north 78 degrees 46' 44" east 15.60 feet; south 11 degrees 13' 16" east 86.44 feet to a point in the northerly line of land now or formerly of the city of New Haven; then running south 83 degrees 20' 44" west along the northerly line of land now or formerly of the city of New Haven 122.18 feet to the point of commencement. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.

(b) Notwithstanding a certain restriction in a deed recorded in volume 5528 page 127 of the New Haven Land Records requiring said parcel to be used for low and moderate income housing only, said parcel may be used for other than low and moderate income housing purposes and said restriction is released and relinquished and shall

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- 174 have no further force and effect.
- 175 (c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of
- the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it
- 177 receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Economic and
- 178 Community Development. The land shall remain under the care and
- 179 control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance
- 180 with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute
- and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under
- 182 this section. The Commissioner of Economic and Community
- Development shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of
- such conveyance.
- Sec. 8. Section 1 of special act 08-8 is amended to read as follows
- 186 (*Effective from passage*):
- 187 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the
- 188 Commissioner of Transportation shall convey to the Historical Society
- 189 of the town of Greenwich a parcel of land located in the town of
- 190 Greenwich, at a cost equal to the administrative costs of making such
- 191 conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately .44 acre
- 192 and is identified as Parcel No. 6 on a map entitled "Town of
- 193 Greenwich, Sketch Showing Land Leased to Town of Greenwich by
- 194 State of Connecticut, I-95 and River Road, James F. Byrnes, Jr. P. E.,
- October 1992, last revised 10/6/99." The conveyance shall be subject to
- the approval of the State Properties Review Board.
- 197 (b) The Historical Society of the town of Greenwich shall use said
- 198 parcel of land for [parking] municipal purposes. If the Historical
- 199 Society of the town of Greenwich:
- 200 (1) Does not use said parcel for said purposes;
- 201 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcel; or
- 202 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcel,
- 203 the parcel shall revert to the state of Connecticut.

(c) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section, which deed or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the purposes of subsection (b) of this section. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

- Sec. 9. Section 9 of special act 08-8 is amended to read as follows (*Effective from passage*):
- 217 (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the 218 Commissioner of Transportation shall convey to the Regional Refuse 219 Disposal District One parcels of land located in the towns of 220 Barkhamsted and New Hartford, at a cost equal to the administrative 221 costs of making such conveyance. Said parcels of land have an area of 222 approximately 3.2 acres and are identified as See Assessor in Block 18 223 of town of Barkhamsted Tax Assessor's Map 49 and Lot 41 in Block 41 224 of town of New Hartford Tax Assessor's Map 32. The conveyance shall 225 be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.
- [(b) The Regional Refuse Disposal District One shall use said parcels
   of land for economic development purposes. If the Regional Refuse
   Disposal District One:
- 229 (1) Does not use said parcels for said purposes;
- 230 (2) Does not retain ownership of all of said parcels; or
- 231 (3) Leases all or any portion of said parcels,
- the parcels shall revert to the state of Connecticut.]
- [(c)] (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review

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of the conveyance of said parcels of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section. [, which deed or instrument shall include provisions to carry out the purposes of subsection (b) of this section.] The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

Sec. 10. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey to Carolyn J. Sheehan and Edward F. Sheehan two parcels of land located in the town of Andover, at a cost equal to the fair market value of said parcels of land, as determined by the Department of Transportation, plus the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcels of land have an area of approximately 5.1 acres and 6.2 acres, respectively, and are identified as certain parcels of land on the easterly side of Wheeling Road that constitute Department of Transportation File No. 32-114-56 and File No. 32-114-37. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.

- (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcels of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for said conveyance. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of said conveyance.
- Sec. 11. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey

to Lawrence E. Green and Fay E. Green a parcel of land located in the town of Andover, at a cost equal to the fair market value of said parcel of land, as determined by the Department of Transportation, plus the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 15 acres and is identified as a certain parcel of land on the easterly side of South Road that constitutes Department of Transportation File No. 12-81-41. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.

- (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for said conveyance. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of said conveyance.
- Sec. 12. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey to Peter Yeomans a parcel of land located in the town of Andover, at a cost equal to the fair market value of said parcel of land, as determined by the Department of Transportation, plus the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 9. 9 acres and is identified as a certain parcel of land on the southerly side of Bear Swamp Road that constitutes Department of Transportation File No. 32-114-53. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.
- (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver

any deed or instrument necessary for said conveyance. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of said conveyance.

- Sec. 13. (Effective from passage) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey to Lawrence C. Nizza and Ann Nizza a parcel of land located in the town of Andover, at a cost equal to the fair market value of said parcel of land, as determined by the Department of Transportation, plus the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 29.307 acres and is identified as "Lawrence C. Nizza, Et Al Taking Area= 29.307+/- Acres" on a map entitled "Town of Andover Map Showing Land Acquired From Laurence C. Nizza Et Al By the State of Connecticut, Relocation of Route U. S. 6 (Limited Access Highway)", Scale 1"=100', February 1984, Robert W. Gubala, Transportation Chief Engineer-Bureau of Highways. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.
  - (b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for said conveyance. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of said conveyance.
  - Sec. 14. (*Effective from passage*) (a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, the Commissioner of Transportation shall convey to the town of Tolland a parcel of land located in the town of Tolland, at a cost equal to the fair market value of the property, as determined by the average of the appraisals of two independent appraisers selected by the commissioner, plus the administrative costs of making such conveyance. Said parcel of land has an area of approximately 3.2

acres, is identified as a portion of Lot 142-61-5 on a map entitled "Connecticut Department of Transportation Right of Way Map Town of Tolland Interstate 84 From the Vernon Town Line Easterly to Cathole Road, Map No. 142-07, sheet No. 9 of 11, dated February 4, 1994", and surrounds the parcel required to be conveyed by the state pursuant to section 6 of special act 11-16. The conveyance shall be subject to the approval of the State Properties Review Board.

(b) The State Properties Review Board shall complete its review of the conveyance of said parcel of land not later than thirty days after it receives a proposed agreement from the Department of Transportation. The land shall remain under the care and control of said department until a conveyance is made in accordance with the provisions of this section. The State Treasurer shall execute and deliver any deed or instrument necessary for a conveyance under this section. The Commissioner of Transportation shall have the sole responsibility for all other incidents of such conveyance.

Sec. 15. Section 8 of special act 06-10; section 6 of public act 10-1 of the June special session; section 7 of public act 10-1 of the June special session, as amended by section 2 of public act 11-139; and section 7 of special act 11-16 are repealed. (*Effective from passage*)

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:				
Section 1	from passage	New section		
Sec. 2	from passage	New section		
Sec. 3	from passage	New section		
Sec. 4	from passage	New section		
Sec. 5	from passage	New section		
Sec. 6	from passage	New section		
Sec. 7	from passage	New section		
Sec. 8	from passage	SA 08-8, Sec. 1		
Sec. 9	from passage	SA 08-8, Sec. 9		
Sec. 10	from passage	New section		
Sec. 11	from passage	New section		
Sec. 12	from passage	New section		

Sec. 13	from passage	New section
Sec. 14	from passage	New section
Sec. 15	from passage	Repealer section

### Statement of Legislative Commissioners:

Section 15 was rewritten for accuracy.

**GAE** Joint Favorable Subst.

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

### **OFA Fiscal Note**

### State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 13 \$	FY 14 \$
Department of Transportation	TF - Loss of Asset Value	90,000	None
Department of Transportation	TF - Revenue Gain	592,000	None
Department of Energy and	GF - Loss of Asset Value	311,000	None
Environmental Protection			
Department of Energy and	GF - Revenue Gain	1,146,000	None
Environmental Protection; Dept. of			
Administrative Services			
Dept. of Administrative Services	GF - Cost	Minimal	None

Note: TF=Transportation Fund; GF=General Fund

### Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 13 \$	FY 14 \$	FY 15 \$
East Hartford; Farmington; New	Gain of	401,000	None	None
Haven	Asset Value			
Bloomfield; Windsor; Tolland	Cost	1,346,000	None	None
Bloomfield; East Hartford;	Revenue	None	None	See
Farmington; New Haven; Windsor;	Loss			Below
Tolland				

### Explanation

The bill has the following fiscal impact:

- 1. A Transportation Fund revenue gain of approximately \$592,000 from the sale of properties in Andover and Tolland at fair market value;
- 2. A Transportation Fund loss of asset value of approximately \$90,000 from the transfer of two parcels to East Hartford;
- 3. A General Fund revenue gain of approximately \$1,146,000 from the sale of properties to Bloomfield and Windsor at fair market value;

4. A General Fund loss of asset value of approximately \$311,000 from the transfer of property to Farmington and New Haven;

- 5. A minimal General Fund cost (less than \$1,000 each) to the Office of the State Treasurer and the State Properties Review Board for making the conveyances;
- 6. There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund related to payments-in-lieu-of-taxes (PILOT) on state-owned property because the appropriation is insufficient to fully fund the grants and all payments are reduced on a pro rata basis.
- 7. The conveyances represent a potential revenue loss to the state to the extent that the state could have sold or leased the properties at fair market value.

The land conveyances are subject to the review and approval of the State Properties Review Board, which is required to review each conveyance within 30 days. Deeds or any other instruments necessary for the conveyances must be executed and delivered by the State Treasurer. These activities are part of the respective agencies normal operations and can be accomplished with existing staff and resources.

The municipal impact for the towns listed in the table below is:

- 1. A total gain in asset value of \$401,000 to East Hartford, Farmington and New Haven;
- 2. A total cost of \$1,346,000 to Bloomfield, Tolland and Windsor; and
- 3. A revenue loss for PILOT payments on state-owned property to the degree that the parcels are eligible for PILOT. It should be noted that PILOT payments are made in arrears so this transfer of land would be reflected on the 2011 Grand List and would be reimbursed by the state in FY 15.

### Further Explanation

Table 1 summarizes sections of the bill with state fiscal impacts. The parcels must be used for the purposes specified in the bill (labeled "Use Restriction") or the property will revert to the state. Table 2 summarizes changes in the conditions of prior land conveyances.

	Table 1: Sections with a State Fiscal Impact					
Sec.	From	To/Location	Acres	Est. Value	Use Restriction	
	Transportation Fund Loss of Asset Value					
1	DOT	East Hartford	0.38	\$60,000	open space	
2	DOT	East Hartford	0.44	\$30,000	open space	
			Total	\$90,000		
		Transportation Fun	d Revenu	e Gain		
3	DOT	East Haven	0.49	\$535,000	None	
10	DOT	Carolyn Sheehan &	#1: 5.1	\$57,000	None	
	50.	Edward Sheehan, Andover	#2: 6.2	φοι,σσσ	110.10	
11	DOT	Lawrence E. Green & Fay	15.0	\$75,000	None	
		E. Green, Andover				
12	DOT	Peter Yeomans, Andover	9.9	\$50,000	None	
13	DOT	Lawrence C. Nizza & Ann	29.307	\$147,000	None	
		Nizza, Andover				
14	DOT	Tolland	3.2	\$200,000	None	
			Total	\$592,000		
	General Fund Loss of Asset Value					
4	DEEP	Farmington	8.46	\$237,300	open space	
7	DECD	New Haven	0.52	\$73,700	Low, moderate	
					income housing	
			Total	\$311,000		
General Fund Revenue Gain						
5	DAS	Windsor	0.73	\$271,600	None	
6	DEEP	Bloomfield	36.05	\$875,000	None	
			Total	\$1,146,600		

	Table 2: Changes to Prior Conveyances						
Sec.	From	<u>To</u>	Act/Sec.	<u>Provision</u>			
8	DOT	Historical Society	SA 08-8,	Change use restriction from parking			
		of Greenwich	Sec. 1	to municipal purposes			
9	DOT	Regional Refuse Disposal Distsrict One, Barkhamsted & New Hartford	SA 08-8, Sec. 9	Eliminate economic development use restriction			
15	DOT	Windsor Locks	SA 06-10, Sec. 8	Transfer of 20,000 sq ft is repealed.			
15	DOT	Marlborough	PA 10-1, JSS, Sec. 6	Transfer of 0.46 acres is repealed.			
15	DOT	Manchester	PA 10-1, JSS, Sec. 7	Transfer of 1.517 acres is repealed.			
15	DOT	Bristol	SA 11-16,	Transfer of 0.11 acres is repealed.			

Table 2: Changes to Prior Conveyances					
Sec.	From	<u>To</u>	Act/Sec.	<u>Provision</u>	
			Sec. 7		

### The Out Years

State Impact: None

*Municipal Impact:* The minimal revenue loss of PILOT payments noted above would continue into the future.

Sources: Department of Transportation, Office of Policy and Management, Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

# OLR Bill Analysis sHB 5519

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE CONVEYANCE OF CERTAIN PARCELS OF STATE LAND.

### **SUMMARY:**

This bill (1) authorizes conveyances of state property (a) to the towns of East Hartford, East Haven, Farmington, Windsor, Bloomfield, New Haven, and Tolland and (b) in the town of Andover to individuals; (2) amends prior conveyances in Greenwich and Barkhamsted and New Hartford; and (3) repeals prior conveyances in Bristol, Manchester, Marlborough, and Windsor Locks.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon passage

### **NEW CONVEYANCES**

### Conveyances to Municipalities

The bill requires the following conveyances from the agencies to the towns named for the purpose specified:

- 1. the Department of Transportation (DOT) to East Hartford for open space (two parcels totaling .82 acre for administrative costs);
- 2. DOT to East Haven (.49 acre for fair market value plus administrative costs);
- 3. the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (DEEP) to Farmington for open space (8.46 acres for administrative costs);
- 4. the Department of Administrative Services, on behalf of the Department of Developmental Services, to Windsor (.73 acre for fair market value plus administrative costs);

5. DEEP to Bloomfield (36.05 acres for fair market value plus administrative costs);

- 6. the Department of Economic and Community Development to New Haven (.52 acres for administrative costs); and
- 7. DOT to Tolland (3.2 acres for fair market value plus administrative costs).

Additionally, the New Haven conveyance releases a deed restriction that requires the property to be used for low- and moderate-income housing. The bill includes no required purpose for the conveyance.

Each conveyance is subject to the State Properties Review Board's (SPRB) approval within 30 days. The East Hartford and Farmington conveyances (for administrative costs only) revert to the state if the towns use the parcels for any purpose other than open space.

When an agency conveys property at fair market value, the value is determined by the average appraisals of two independent appraisers chosen by the agency's commissioner.

### Conveyances to Individuals

The bill conveys DOT property in Andover to:

- 1. Carolyn J. and Edward F. Sheehan (two parcels totaling 11.3 acres),
- 2. Lawrence E. and Fay E. Green (15 acres), and
- 3. Peter Yeomans (9.9 acres); and
- 4. Lawrence C. and Ann Nizza (29.307 acres).

These conveyances must be approved by SPRB, and the recipients must pay the fair market value plus the administrative costs of the conveyance.

### AMENDED CONVEYANCES

The bill amends a 2008 conveyance of a .44 acre parcel in Greenwich from DOT to the Greenwich Historical Society. It requires the society to use the land for municipal, rather than parking, purposes. It is unclear if a private entity can use land for municipal purposes, but the society must do so or the property reverts to the state.

The bill amends a 2008 conveyance of a 3.2 acre parcel in Barkhamsted and New Hartford from DOT to the Regional Refuse Disposal District One. It allows the parcel to be used for any purpose, instead of economic development only, and removes the reverter provision.

#### REPEALED CONVEYANCES

The bill repeals prior conveyances from DOT to the following towns:

- 1. Bristol (.11 acre in 2011);
- 2. Manchester for road alignment and traffic mitigation (1.517 acres in 2010);
- 3. Marlborough (.46 acre in 2010); and
- 4. Windsor Locks for municipal purposes (20,000 square feet in 2006).

### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

Government Administration and Elections Committee

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